

Vermont Developmental Disabilities Council
Draft Executive Committee Meeting Minutes ~ March 2, 2020
VTDDC Office at the Capitol Plaza, Montpelier

Present:	Julie Arel, Terry Holden, Courtney Quinlan, Kay Stambler, Miriam Stoll,
Absent:	Kaiya Andrews, Mike Gruteke,
VTDDC Staff:	Chelsea Hayward

1. Welcome:

Motion: Terry made the motion to accept the minutes from February 3, 2020 and start the meeting. Julie seconded.

Motion passed: 4-0-0.

The meeting began at 10:02 am. Terry said Kaiya just had a baby, and we must send her flowers. The agenda has been adjusted to discuss the Governor coming to the Quarterly meeting.

2. Review Evaluation Process for the Executive Director:

The Annual Review of the Executive Director is a lengthy process. It was developed by past Council Chair, Fred Breunig. The current Council Chair collects data, compiles it, and select a rating per the State rules. Miriam has emailed a 2-page summary to the Executive Committee that describes the 4-step process.

3. Other Business:

- National Conference, July 8-10, 2020 – Miriam sent out an email that reminded members that every year three to four people are selected to attend alongside Council Staff. People who've voiced interest were Candice, Courtney, David, Mike, and Terry. All but Candice have attended in the past. Members who have not attended before will be given priority, except for the Council Chair.
- Partners for self-advocate & family members of VTDDC – One of Miriam's hopes as she steps away from her role is for the Council to be more inclusive. She wants all members to understand the process and voting. All

members should be able to contribute. Courtney spoke to the value of “partners”, where Council Members support one another to be knowledgeable and fully present as they cast their votes. There will be less focus on “roles” at the next Quarterly Meeting, and instead the Chair will describe a “partner” model. “Partners” will be pre-assigned by Courtney.

4. Meeting the Governor:

Governor Phil Scott will be joining the Council for lunch at the next Quarterly Meeting (Thursday, March 26, 2020), along with Agency of Human Services Secretary, Mike Smith. Council members will talk about the Eugenics Apology Bill (JRH.7) and request his support. There will be an open Q&A, along with discussions about: “nothing about us, without us”, payment reform with David Frye, conflict-of-interest free case management with Steve Kieselstein or Kaiya Andrews, and an Ombudsman for Developmental Services with Terry Holden.

Kirsten has hired a consulting firm to come help with the Council’s goal of increasing its cultural diversity and linguistic competency.

5. Adjourn:

<p>Motion: Kay made the motion to adjourn. Julie seconded.</p>

<p>Motion passed: 5-0-0.</p>

Respectfully submitted,

Chelsea Hayward
Coordinator of Communications and Administration